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I—Authorized Capital £6,000,000.
Subscribed Capital £4,500,000.
Paid-up Capital £2,437,500
II—Fire Funds 3,837,047
III—Life & Annuity Funds 17,567,593
Shaking Fund Account 128,230
£23,970,367

Revenue Fire Branch 73,381,456
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Revenue Marine Department 337,239
Other Receipts 478,940
£5,320,228

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TIME TABLE.
WEEK DAYS.

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8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Every 10 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Every 30 minutes.
12.30 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
Saturdays only.	Every 15 minutes.
2.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	Every 30 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
Saturdays only.	Every 15 minutes.
4.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
NIGHT CARS.	
8.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.	10 p.m., 11 p.m., 11.30 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

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10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 10 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
1.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
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NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

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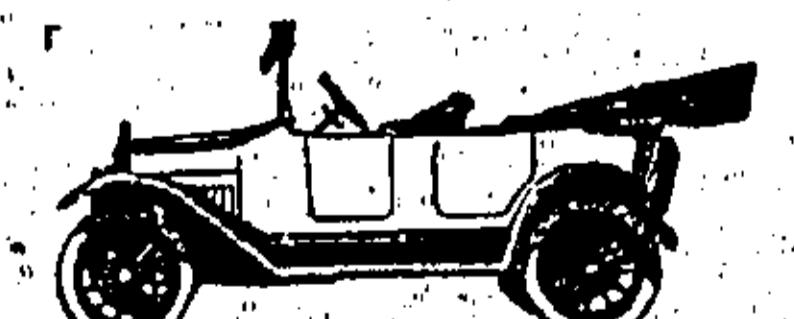
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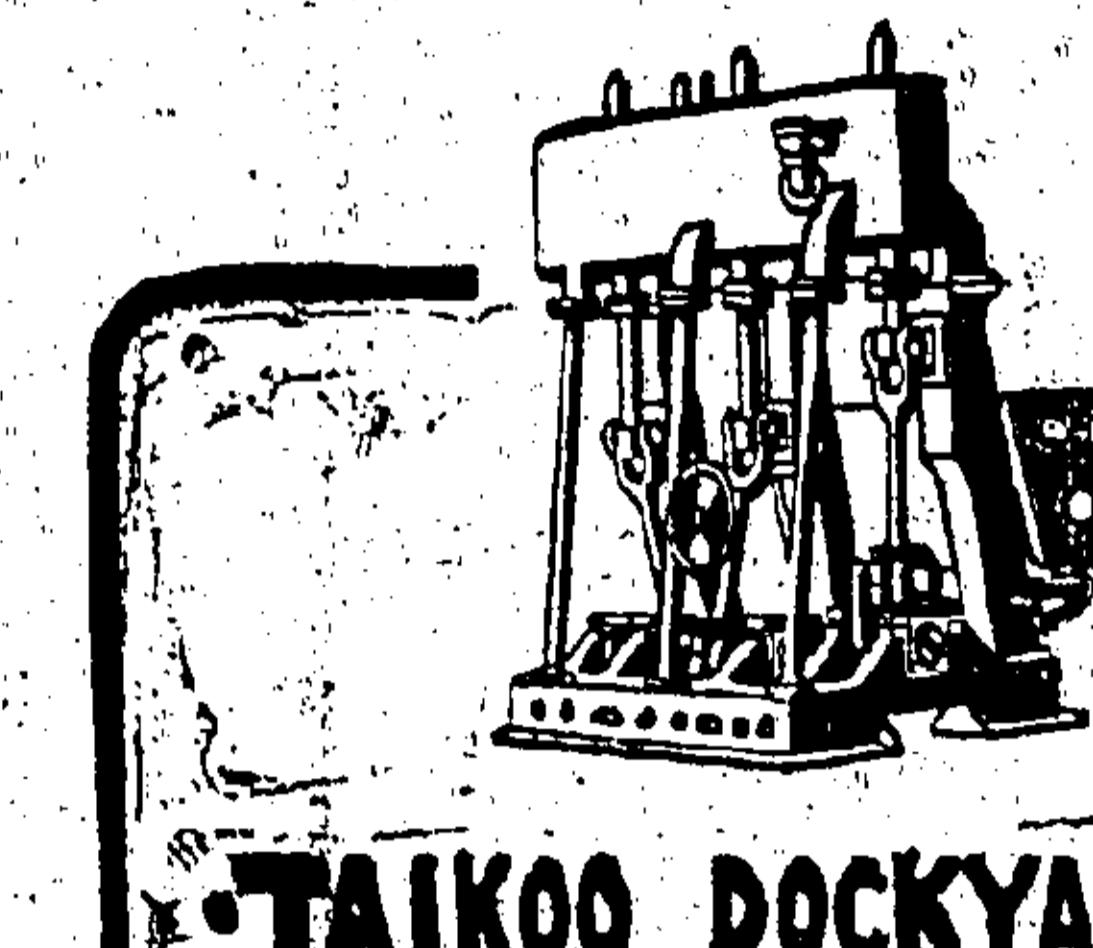
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BIG HAUL OF BOOTY ANTICIPATED.

LONDON, Oct. 14.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—

It may reasonably be presumed that the Germans expected this attack on a grand scale. Undoubtedly the enemy had done all that his dwindling man-power permitted him, to strengthen this front, but the divisions which had been in line for any considerable time were recently relieved by fresh troops.

The weather was favourable for us and the going was tolerably good.

The hostile reply to our barrage was slight owing to the Germans having lost many guns here, and their policy of saving their artillery even at the expense of the infantry.

The heaviest enemy resistance was between Kigelberg and Ledgham where the Prussian Guards and the Ersatz fought vigorously until forced to retreat after very heavy losses.

The Belgian advance varies between four and ten kilometres.

INTIMATIONS

DOUGLAS SHIPMAN COMPANY
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THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices at No. 1, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY the 19th of October, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 19th of October, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
General Managers.

Hongkong, Sept. 26, 1918.

MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

Nov. 2nd.—SATURDAY—Nov. 2nd.

THE ANNUAL BAZAAR under the Auspices of the above League, will be held by kind permission in the grounds of Government House, on SATURDAY, November 2nd.

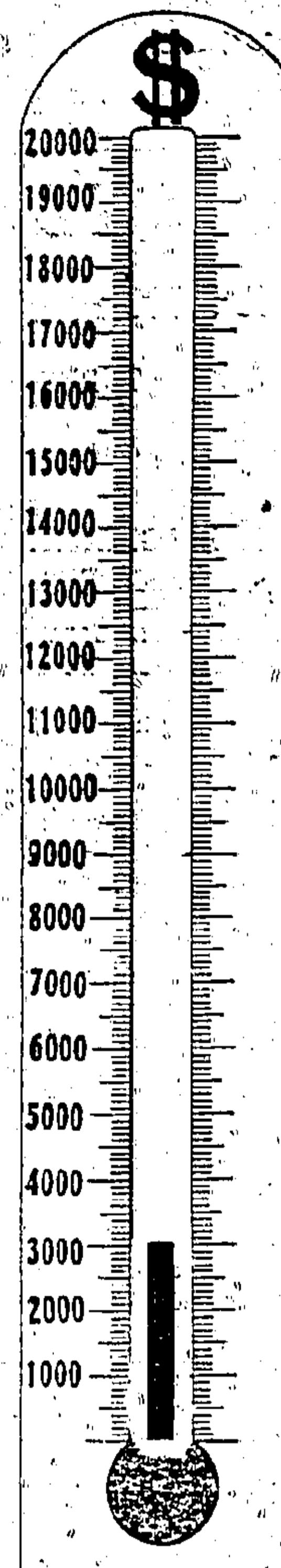
The Proceeds, as formerly, will be devoted to Local Charities for Children, the "Otherway" Cots, Surrey, and Naval and Military Funds for Orphans.

Hongkong, Oct. 8, 1918.

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THE COTTON TRADE IN THE EAST.

JAPANESE COMPETITION.

The future of the cotton cloth export
trade of the United States would seem
to lie in the countries of the two
Americas, Porto Rico, Hawaii, the Philip-
pines, and in those countries where
American manufacturers are most likely
to be favoured with equal tariff restrictions.

This is the conclusion reached
by the Committee on Foreign Trade of
the National Association of Cotton
Manufacturers which has prepared a
statement dealing with war-time exports
of cotton cloth.

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goods export situation, the National
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THE PEAK CLUB.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

THE BAND PERFORMANCE arranged for SATURDAY, 19th October at the PEAK CLUB HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

E. L. SIM,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, Oct. 17, 1918.

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desolation which the German Naval and Military authorities are daily perpetrating and they are foreshadowing an intensified submarine warfare in the fond hope of getting peace on their own terms. The German people can make up their minds that they will get peace only on the terms the Allies impose, and the quickest road to peace is clearly pointed out to the German people, when they are told that the power which has hitherto controlled the German people must be reduced to virtual impotence if it cannot at present be destroyed. That means Kaiserism and its concomitant Militarism must go—must be definitely repudiated by the will of the nation. The world may have some time yet to wait for the fulfilment of that condition; but it must come, and there are indications that it may come before many more months have passed.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The s.s. *China*, sailed from San Francisco on Monday October 14th.

The attention of members of the Peak Club is drawn to the announcement that the Band performance arranged for Saturday has been cancelled.

The Chinese Municipal authorities at Canton have decided to lay out two public parks—one at Dutch Folly and the other at Tung Shan. Work on the latter is to be started at once.

A long and interesting report written by Lieutenant Oltisky, as a result of his investigations of the outbreak of an epidemic of meningitis in Hongkong was laid on the table at the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon.

The annual Exhibition in connection with the Hongkong and Kowloon Sketch Club is fixed for Monday, December 16th, at the City Hall. A charge of 50 cents will be made for admission, the total proceeds to go to war charities. At the close of the exhibition the pictures will be sold by auction and it is suggested that half the proceeds of each sale shall go to the artist and half to war charities.

In connection with the special effort made last week by the American Red Cross to secure supplies for service in Siberia, that organization reports that as a result of the generosity of Hongkong people it was able to forward eighteen cases of supplies to Vladivostok this week. These cases included two cases of men's complete suits; one case of men's overcoats and suits; one case of men's underwear; and one case of miscellaneous garments for men; also one case of women's suits and coats; and one case of miscellaneous garments for women. There was also one case of infants' clothes; one case of overalls; one case of men's shoes; one case of women's shoes; one case of miscellaneous garments; two cases of blankets; one case of garments made in the American Red Cross work rooms; two cases of hospital garments made in the American Red Cross work rooms; and one case of hospital comforts and supplies received from Queen Mary's Needles Work Guild to be forwarded with the supplies abovementioned.

GENERAL LUNG CHI-KWONG'S MEN DISCHARGED.

VICTIMS OF A FRAUD.

This afternoon Lung Young Kin and three others who were charged with forging a deposit receipt for \$150,000 on the International Bank on the 3rd instant were honourably discharged by Mr. Wood.

Mr. G. H. Wakeman (Crown Solicitor) asked permission to withdraw the charge as a result of inquiries made by the Police.

Mr. M. K. Lo, in a lengthy statement

explaining the whole position, said his clients could not blame the Police for letting them into the position they were in.

If the case had gone to the "defendants could have vindicated their

characters as reputable members of the Chinese community.

The Magistrate said it was a great pleasure for him to hear the statements

made by the Crown Solicitor and Mr. Lo.

Addressing the defendants, he said: "You were found in possession of a forged receipt and because that deposit receipt was a forged one, you were arrested by the Police and brought up before the Court. Since the day of arrest the matter has been thoroughly investigated and, as a result of the investigation, the Crown Solicitor unreservedly withdrew the charge. The investigations have shown that instead of being parties to a fraud yourselves, you were victims of a fraud, and what has happened should in no way affect your reputation. You are discharged."

THE COLONIAL BUDGET.

DEBATE IN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Council was held this afternoon. H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., presided. There were also present:

H.E. Major-General F. VANTRELL, General Officer Commanding.

The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. A. G. M. FITZGERALD.

The Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. J. H. KEMP, C.B.E.

The Colonial Treasurer, Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON.

The Director of Public Works, Hon. Mr. T. L. PERKINS.

The Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. E. B. HALIFAX, C.B.E.

The Captain Superintendent of Police, Hon. Mr. C. McI. MESSER, O.B.E.

Hon. Mr. D. LANDALE.

Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK.

Hon. Mr. W. H. BIRD.

Hon. Mr. S. H. DOWELL.

Hon. Mr. HO Fook.

Hon. Mr. CHAN KAI-MING.

Mr. A. DYER BALL, Clerk of Councils.

THE BUDGET.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY moved the second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding \$10,505,345 to the Public Service of the year 1919.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded.

CRITICISMS BY UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS.

The Hon. Mr. D. LANDALE said:—Your Excellency, I propose to follow the usual procedure and, as the Senior Unofficial Member, for the time being, to address the Council, on behalf of all Unofficial Members. There are one or two matters to which I wish to refer on my own behalf which I will indicate later, and other Unofficial Members have some matters they also wish to speak about. I need hardly say that we all endorse your expressions of sympathy with Sir Henry and Lady May and sincerely hope that the improvement in their daughter's health will continue and that the Governor will be able to enjoy a much-needed rest and holiday. I think the Government are to be congratulated on the very satisfactory state of the Colony's Finance. There has been a great improvement in this respect during recent years and much credit is due to those responsible for the Administration. It should not, however, be lost sight of that some of our revenue is not derived from a permanent source and that taxation which is permissible in war-time will have to cease as soon as the war ends. The first matter to which I wish to draw attention is the form in which the Estimates are presented, and to ask that radical alterations be made in this form. I do not think that it can be contended that it is either business-like or clear. As an instance, I would ask you to refer to the third item on page 8 which reads:—"Assessed taxes, Ordinance 6 of 1910, approved estimate 1918, \$1,857,400; estimate 1919, \$2,010,345." This amount includes the earnings of certain Government undertakings such as waterworks, and should be detailed in such a way that the working result of one of them could be seen. It is important that proper statements of individual works be shown, particularly so, as Government undertakings tend to increase. The first cost of a work should appear in such statements and not, as at present, be entirely lost sight of. It is a laborious business to extract from the Estimates as now presented the cost of the working of many Government departments and undertakings and it would almost seem that the purpose is to baffle the enquirer rather than to assist him. Some comments in the Press the other day illustrate what I mean. Owing to figures of the Public Works Department and the Water Works being mixed up it is very difficult to say what the cost to the Colony of either Department is. I feel quite sure that our able Colonial Treasurer could greatly improve matters were he allowed a free hand; if not, let expert Chartered Accountants be employed.

The Monthly Financial Statements of Assets and Liabilities are very difficult to understand. For instance, the Shipping Control account is shown on the 30th June as a liability of \$81,509.47 when it is well known the result will be a very profitable sum to the Government.

It is difficult to say where the Sinking Funds to the two Loans are, and we

would like to know and to be assured

that the Sinking Fund for the Sterling Loan is invested in that currency. The

value of property purchased by the

Government for staff occupation or

other purposes is not shown as assets

which, I think, is wrong, and the position

would be more correctly set out by including valuation of such property. I do not think it is right that the value, for instance, of quarters, which amounts to a very large sum should be lost sight of. The rents charged for the recent Government purchases of houses property at the Peak show a return of about 10 per cent. on the capital only, without providing for any depreciation. We are in favour of providing quarters, but we

would like a record of the cost kept.

We presume that the Government have

considered the question of the construction of the Sterling loan and the

local currency at the existing high rate

or that the equipment is sufficient and up to date and we would like an assurance from the Government that this very important matter is being fully considered and attended to. As regards education, Mr. Pollock referred to this matter when the supplementary estimates were under discussion before the Council and other Hon. Members have something to say on this subject. Generally speaking we would be prepared to vote a larger sum for education.

That would be the case for a school

to a better class school for which there

appears to be demand personally I

would rather see some scheme drawn

up and approved whereby some arrangement could be made by which the parents

of European children, who under existing circumstances cannot afford to send their

children to a cooler climate for their

education, would be enabled to do so

without additional cost rather than that

public money should be spent upon

establishing an expensive school here

where the climate is unsuitable for

children. For instance, would it not be

possible to subsidise some school at Wei

Hai Wei so that the fee charged

the parents would be the same as if

the school were situated in Hongkong?

EXPENDITURE ON PUBLIC WORKS.

We now come, Sir, to the Estimates for the Public Works Department and as my hon. friend who now represents the Justices of the Peace is an expert in such matters, he will be able to make more valuable criticisms than I can. I intend to only briefly refer to a few of the items under the heading Public Works Extraordinary. Before doing so, however, I would like to read you an extract from a speech I made in this Council on the 23rd Oct. 1913 when the estimates for the year 1914 were under discussion.

In the speech referred to the hon.

member mentioned that shortly after he

had the honour to become a member of the Council the Governor announced that he had been appointed a member of the Public Works Committee. That was practically the last he had heard of that committee. He did not think it had ever met, and it had not been consulted with regard to the large expenditure on public works. The members of the Committee were quite willing to give such advice as they were able and did not appreciate their present figurehead position.]

The result of that speech was that

when the Committees were rearranged

for the following year I was not ap-

pointed to the Public Works Committee but was appointed by H.E. The Governor or a member of the Law Committee, that was exactly the opposite of what was intended, for the supply of new houses, having been interfered with, the value of house property has been forced up both from a rental and sale point of view by the ordinary rule of supply and demand. The Government's policy having checked the natural supply of houses it is for them to undertake the laying out of sites and the leasing of prepared sites at low Crown rents to those who desire immediately to build. In what I have said regarding land sales I am speaking entirely for myself; it is a matter which I have not discussed with the other Unofficial Members. There is another point which requires consideration. Very large properties situated in the centre of both the City of Victoria and Kowloon are in occupation of the War Department. Many of these sites must be quite unsuitable for Military purposes or for Military quarters and the whole matter requires looking into with a view to an exchange of property whereby the Garrison would find more suitable quarters and the business community more space for development. We shall be glad to hear that the Government intend to take this matter up.

STORM SIGNALS.

On page 40 we have the estimated cost of the Royal Observatory and I

would like to point out that we do not

think the best results in the interests of

TELEGRAMS.

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FRENCH PROGRESS CONTINUES.

MANY TOWNS RECOVERED.

LONDON, Oct. 15.
A French communiqué states:—
During the night and early this morning, we progressed at different points on the front.

South of the Serre we captured Reunies, Buremont, Cœl and Monceau-le-Vineux.

West of Rethel we took Nanthenil-sur-Aisne.

West of Grandsire we progressed beyond the Aisne. We hold Clizy and Terres.

We took over 800 prisoners here.

THE AMERICAN FRONT.

GAS EMPLOYED FREELY ON BOTH SIDES.

VERY VIOLENT FIGHTING.

LONDON, Oct. 14.
Reuter's Correspondent at American Headquarters, telegraphing at noon today, says:—

The bombardment along the American Front was more violent to-day, both sides employing great quantities of gas.

On the left of the sector our artillery and machine-guns fire cut down Germans advancing in open order attempting to regain ground.

LETHAL GASES USED IN MEUSE SECTOR.

REPEATED ENEMY ASSAULTS.

LONDON, Oct. 15.
Reuter's Correspondent at American Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—

The Americans yesterday moved up their line to St. George's and Landrecet St. George's, after a bitter struggle.

East of the Meuse, we reached Sivry and Magenta Farm. At Romagne the Germans fought valiantly to hold back the Americans, bringing up a new Guards Division. The Germans flooded the woods and ravines with mustard and lethal gases.

Châtillon Woods, covering the high hill south of Romagne, was very stubbornly defended.

The Americans gained the summit in the evening, after being repeatedly thrown back. Thousand of prisoners have been sent back.

THE DEVASTATION IN NORTHERN FRANCE.

ENEMY ASCRIBES IT TO FRENCH AND BRITISH.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 15.

A Berlin official telegram protests against "the unheard-of French and British agitation regarding the so-called systematic devastation" of Northern France in the course of the backward movement of German troops."

It ascribes the devastation to French and British artillery.

CRITICAL CONDITION OF GERMANY.

AMERICAN MENACE REALISED.

LONDON, Oct. 15.

A telegram received in London to-day further confirms the critical condition of Germany. Consternation is growing, especially in Berlin, owing to the magnitude of the American efforts beginning to be realised.

NO MILITARY RELAXATION BY AMERICA.

250,000 MEN TO BE SENT MONTHLY.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.
It has been announced from the White House that the Government will continue to send over 250,000 men with their supplies monthly. There will be no relaxation of any kind.

Reuter learns that President Wilson's Reply practically rejects the view of the entire Entente.

THE PEACE QUESTION.

WILL THE KAISER ABDICATE?

A BERLIN DENIAL AND A LIEPZIG DEMAND.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 15.
It is semi-officially denied in Berlin that the Kaiser intends to abdicate. The *Leipziger Volks Zeitung* says:

"The Kaiser is wholly responsible for the present situation. His departure is imperative."

THE GERMAN PEACE OVERTURES.

ARMISTICE FIRST AND EVACUATION AFTERWARDS.

THE GERMAN POINT OF VIEW.

LONDON, Oct. 15.
The German Press, commenting on the reply to President Wilson, reveals how wide is the gulf between the belligerents, despite Germany's avowed agreement with President Wilson.

The unanimous tenor of the comment is that the armistice should first commence and the evacuation afterwards.

The paper's forebodings most strongly *pourparlers* after which, it is unsuccessful from the German point of view, "Germany will not be defenceless even after the evacuation."

AMERICA'S ATTITUDE.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.
The official text of the German reply [to President Wilson's first Note] has been received whereupon President Wilson, Mr. Lansing, Mr. Baker and Mr. Daniels held a two-hours' conference at the White House.

[The result was the answer to Germany which we published yesterday.—F.D.]

In the Senate, Senator Lodge, the Republican leader, moved a resolution against further communications with the German Government on the subject of an armistice except on the question of unconditional surrender.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.
The majority of the newspapers in the United States consider that President Wilson's reply calls for the complete overthrow of the Hohenzollern dynasty and unconditional surrender.

EVERYBODY PLEASED WITH PRESIDENT WILSON'S REPLY.

INTERESTING CONSEQUENCES IN BERLIN EXPECTED.

LONDON, Oct. 15.

Everybody is delighted with President Wilson's Reply, which entirely removes any groundless impression he might unconsciously lend himself on the German attempt to break the political unity of the Allies. His reminder that any armistice must provide the maintenance of the Allies' Military supremacy and his references to the inhuman practices at sea and on land are especially welcomed, while his warning over the implicates of the Mount Vernon speech is regarded as equivalent to telling Germany that the Kaiser and his military party must go. The reply, it is expected, will have interesting consequences in Berlin.

ALLIES AND GERMAN PEACE NOTE.

VIEWS EXCHANGED AND UNFAVOURABLE REPLY EXPECTED.

LONDON, Oct. 15.

It is affirmed that the Allies have already exchanged views as regards the peace situation, which indicate the probability of an unfavourable reply to the German Peace note.

AUTOCRACY MUST GO.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S REPLY APPRAISED IN AMERICA.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.

In the Senate President Wilson's Reply was read and vigorously applauded.

The unanimous opinion is that it means that Autocracy must go.

NEW CHIEF OF KAISER'S CIVIL CABINET.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 14.

A message from Berlin says that Herr Delbrück, a former Home Secretary, has been appointed the Chief of the Kaiser's Civil Cabinet.

ATTEMPT TO REMOVE PRINCE MAX.

ANOTHER PROBABLE SPLIT IN GERMAN POLITICAL CAMP.

LONDON, Oct. 14.
There are indications from independent sources that another political crisis is brewing in Germany. The members of the Left Wing party are trying to oust Prince Max from the Chancellorship, owing to his letter to Prince Hohenlohe, ennobled on the 7th.

BAVARIAN SOCIALISTS RESOLUTION.

SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR GERMAN STATES DEMANDED.

ZURICH, Oct. 15.

The Bavarian Socialist Party held meeting at Munich on Sunday and passed a resolution urging the Reichstag to appoint a State Court to try all, even the highest, who are guilty of frustrating peace efforts and also demanding self-government for the German States.

ALLIED OCCUPATION OF ESSEN SUGGESTED.

LONDON, Oct. 14.
The Manchester *Guardian* suggests, in the event of an armistice, the Allied occupation of Essen as a security that the interval will not be utilised to build up fresh resistance. It points out that the Allies would require military compensation for permission to allow the enemy to retire unmolested, and concludes by demanding that Germany shall be compelled to do whatever is necessary for the expiation and repatriation of the safety of the world.

BRITISH OFFICIALS IN RUSSIA.

ALL TO BE RELEASED.

LONDON, Oct. 15.

Reuter learns that the Moscow Authorities have agreed to release the remaining British officials in Russia.

GERMANY MUST BE RENDERED HARMLESS.

FRANCE UNANIMOUS NOT TO TREAT WITH ENEMY.

PARIS, Oct. 14.

It is semi-officially stated that the proposal for an armistice is an attempt to save German arms from a complete defeat. France is unanimous not to treat with the enemy until he is rendered completely harmless.

GERMAN EXCUSE FOR "LEINSTER" AND "HIRANO-MARU" SINKINGS.

INEVITABLE CONSEQUENCE OF WAR.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 14.

The new German Government, in an official note on the *Hirano-maru* and *Leinster* crimes, excuses the outrages as the inevitable consequence of war.

INTENSIFIED SUBMARINISM.

NEW CAMPAIGN IN GERMANY.

LONDON, Oct. 14.

Sir Eric Geddes' warning speech at Washington that Germany amid the peace offensive, was preparing for intensified submarine warfare is confirmed by various announcements in Germany. For example, the *Rheinische-Westfälische Zeitung*

resumes its readers that submarine warfare will reach its climax in winter and "will produce an economic crisis in the Entente countries of unexpected dimensions."

Curtis Persius, writing in the *Tageblatt*, speaks of "an impending great increase in submarines, to which Germany will confidently look, should the Entente refuse peace."

AUSTRIAN PREMIER RESIGNS.

COUNT TAROUKA TO FORM NEW MINISTRY.

BASEL, Oct. 15.

A message from Vienna states that the Emperor Karl has accepted the resignation of the Austrian Premier, Dr. Hussarék, and has charged Count Tarouka to form a Ministry.

FUTURE OF DUAL MONARCHY.

POSSIBLE BREAK UP.

LONDON, Oct. 14.

A message from Budapest says that Count Tisza, in a speech, admitted the possibility of the breaking up of the Dual Monarchy.

UNITED & INDEPENDENT POLAND.

A GERMAN STATEMENT REPUDGED.

LONDON, Oct. 14.
An Polish Committee in London officially describes as absolutely false the German allegation, cables to the 11th, as regards Poland's desire of Germany's continued occupation of Poland.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 14.

Owing to the German acceptance of President Wilson's fourteen points Prussian Poles have issued a manifesto demanding a united and independent Poland with access to the sea, in which connection the *Lokal* *Zeitung* cynically comments that the Government will know how to reply to this new-found courage.

TURKEY'S PEACE NOTE.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.

The Turkish Peace Note was received through the Spanish Ambassador. It asks President Wilson to undertake the re-establishment of peace and to notify the belligerents of this demand and invite them to delegate plenipotentiaries to initiate negotiations. It accepts as basis of negotiations President Wilson's programme in his speeches of June 8th and September 20th (27th) and requests an immediate armistice.

GERMAN INHUMANITIES.

STORIES BY BRITISH PRISONERS.

LONDON, Oct. 15.

Appalling stories of the sufferings of the British taken prisoner in the last spring offensive are recorded by the Committee presided over by Mr. Justice Younger to add yet another black and unforgettable chapter to the volume of "German war inhumanities."

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ITALIANS CAPTURE DURAZZO.

LONDON, Oct. 15.

An Italian official report, regarding operations in Albania, says:

After forcing the defences to the heights of Paljomal and Sase Buncu the Italians on the 11th inst. captured Durazzo, taking prisoners and material.

THE BUDGET DEBATE.

(Continued from Page 4.)

The Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK referring to salaries of Government officials said the unofficial members thought that the time had come for a division of salaries on modern lines. He would also like to see provision made for an up-to-date motor-car for the use of Government House.

The time was coming when distinguished visitors

would be visiting the Colony, and a more presentable conveyance than the old-fashioned vehicle now in use was desirable. On Education, Mr. Holyoak drew attention to the overcrowding of Saingyung School and the need for larger buildings. Also he thought the Headmaster of the School should be put on the same basis as the Headmaster of the Ellis Kadoorie School with regard to salary. The hon. member also made reference to the question of the education of the sons and daughters of Europeans, who owing to existing circumstances were unable to send their children home to be educated. He complained that the Victoria Hospital building had not been used for the purpose it was intended, and for some time past no maternity cases had been accepted. Unless the Government could see its way clear to deal with the matter he proposed to ask for a commission of enquiry. He congratulated the Government upon the work done on the roads but he would like to see Kennedy Road open to motor traffic especially as it would shortly be the terminus to the Peak Tramway. Referring to charitable services, Mr. Holyoak recommended the donation to the Alice Memorial Hospital should be increased to \$1,000. With regard to the sum of \$15,000 allocated to German charitable institutions he thought it would have been better to describe the item as charitable institutions taken over from the Germans. Dealing with the Widows' and Orphans' fund, Mr. Holyoak said the Government must be aware of the dissatisfaction expressed in connection with this fund. So far as he could make out from the estimates a sum of over \$60,000 remained and after pension had been allowed for a profit of \$10,000 was left over for 1919. He mentioned the matter because he had had deputation after deputation during the last six months upon the subject. He would like a full investigation of the matter.

The Hon. Mr. H. W. Binn described the premises of the Lunatic Asylum and the Government Civil Hospital as a standing disgrace to the Colony and urged the Government to rebuild on more suitable sites.

Among other questions the hon. member discussed the Housing Problem. He welcomed the proposed new roads as a first step and said the next step was the leasing of suitable sites at a reasonable cost.

He further suggested that the Government should lend money for the erection of houses at a low rate of interest.

The Hon. Mr. Ho Fook and the Hon. Mr. Dobwell also spoke and the Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins and the Hon. Mr. Thomson replied at length to questions involved.

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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, Aug. 10.

THE MINERS AND THE NEVER POLITICS.

It has been asserted that all the best of the miners entered the Army as volunteers three years ago. If we judge by the proceedings at the annual conference of the Scottish miners there is a good deal of truth in this statement. All conferences, of course, are apt to become a mixed heap of futile resolutions: they cause a day or two's sensations and then they controvert the doctrine of the good Determinist, that every action has an eternal effect. It would not be easy, however, for another delegation of Scotsmen to come together and detach themselves so entirely from utility and sagacity as the miners' representatives did last week. They began by appealing for a larger output of coal, for less abstinence, and for greater efficiency at the pits. The manifesto, it is meant anything, declared that the miners might, by exerting themselves, add a great deal to the coal supply. What followed? Immediately the Executive of the Fife district warned the miners under them that if they did not desist from working twelve days a fortnight the pits would be picketed and laid idle. Then the conference passed a resolution directing that bullet be taken over the whole Scottish coal field to the adoption of a working week of 80 hours, five days of six hours. This, however, they kindly announced, would be "an after-the-war measure." Next came perhaps the coolest claim that has yet been made: to be treated as a privileged class. One of the districts moved that the miners be immune from Income Tax up to a limit of £200; that they receive double-pay when they condescend to work more than five days a week (to give added value no doubt to their war immunity); and that they receive double rations of rationed commodities. The double rations, fortunately for the rest of the nation, was not passed. To round off their programme of social reform—for the time being—the miners resolved that the Government be asked to provide an allowance of 5s. weekly for every child born in a working man's family; presumably it was designed that the payment should go till the child was able to earn an income for itself. In that case, a working man, thoroughly emancipated from the prevailing prejudice against large families, might find himself in possession of quite a handsome income on the strength of his contributions to citizenship alone. But for the danger of losing his invaluable designation, he might, with a nice old-fashioned family of eight or nine, give up being a working man. It is a curious thing that the financial imagination of large numbers of the Socialistically disposed should have thoroughly liberated themselves from all restraint just when the country has come under a mountain of debt. The great majority of the Scottish miners, no doubt, are more reasonable than the Socialists who have captured their trade union machine. But resolutions such as these throw a lurid light on the aims of our "newer politics."

DEATH OF MR. J. E. SUTHERLAND.

The death is announced of Mr. John E. Sutherland, M.P. for the Elgin-Burghs since 1905. He was the sole partner of the well-known firm of P. & J. Sutherland, fish-curers, Portsoy, whose business connection extended to all the principal centres on the British coast. Their name was also well-known in the herring markets of the Continent. They were, indeed, pioneers in the development of the fishing industry on the North-East Coast of Scotland. An effective public speaker, Mr. Sutherland made a favourable impression on the House of Commons and his special knowledge of the herring industry was recognized by the Government on several occasions.

WOMEN HARVESTING FLAX AND FRUIT.

This year Scotswomen in greater numbers are volunteering for essential work on the land and thereby helping the nation to get on with the war. They are busy in the fields of flax and on the fruit farms of Perthshire, and they are being organized to undertake any possible work in connection with the ordinary harvest.

In the past four years blood, or chromatism, has been grown in Scotland, but the 1,000 acres planted this year in flax in response to the call of the Government introduces a

crop beyond anything previously attempted. The fact, of course, had to be found to make good the shortage caused by the shutting up of the flax mill parts. The many opportunities now open to women, and the high wages paid, make recruiting for any new industry very difficult. This particular and important harvest of flax, however, establishes a direct link between the gleaner in the field and our supremacy in the air—"flax for aeroplane wings" was the appeal sent forth—and over 1,200 women responded. Of these a good many are from the artisans' homes in Fife-shire. It was necessary to tap sources of women not already in occupations, and the wives of miners and other workmen are for the short period of the harvest combining the work in the fields with their domestic cares. Some 200 professional women, teachers and students, have also undertaken the work, and are accommodated in three camps. At least 800 Scotswomen have been down in Somerset helping with the flax there, and the English farmers were much impressed with the adaptability of the girls who had come straight from class-room and desk to work on the land.

Berry-picking in Perthshire is in full swing, about 4,000 women being employed at Blairgowrie and Auchterarder. A certain number of the fruit farms are reserved for professional girls, teachers, students, and others who make a war-time holiday of the fruit harvest. These "lady helpers" come from points as far apart as Wick and London.

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Mr. W. Vaux Graham, M.I.C.E., arrives at much larger figures. He has investigated 60 possible schemes in the Highlands, basing his calculations upon rainfall figures supplied by Dr. H. R. Mill, and arrives at the conclusion that an aggregate of upwards of 400,000 c.h.p. is available.

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A PACIFIC PORT, Oct. 4.—General Maurice Janin, French Commander and a veteran of the Marne, is here en route to Siberia to assume command of the Czech-Slovak Forces. He joined a new Czech-Slovak banner at a public reception here. An impressive public welcome greeted the French General and members of his staff. General Janin said:

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possibly by his people, led his country to an intelligent appreciation of their rights! It is then, in his name—the revered name of Professor Masaryk and in the name of the Czech-Slovak people that I place on your hands and through you present to your city, their national flag."

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WEDNESDAY, Nov. 1st

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Order by Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

TIDES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.

FRIDAY, 18th Oct.—Right Half Coy. Full drill.

12.15 p.m.—Left Half Coy. Full drill.

Brigade for Engineers Company by Captain F. W. James.

11th to 18th October, 1918.—

D.E.I. duties. Parades as per rosters given at Headquarters. Engine Drivers at 4.45 p.m. Electricians at 8 p.m.

Officers next for duty. Belchers, and Lieutenant Massey, Lymenun, 2nd Lieutenant Hill, Stonecutters, 2nd Lieutenant Brown.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HIGHER RATINGS AND S.C.O.S. AND MEN OF THE INFANTRY BATTALION ATTACHED FOR DUTY.

Class 1, at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays for all who have not passed the "Proficient" rate (1½) examination.

Class 2, at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays for all N.C.O.s and men of higher ratings, under Staff Sergeant, Ovenden and Parsons, R. E., and Sergeant, Day, H. K. D., 1916.

Class 3, at Lymenun at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, under O. M. S. White, and Staff Sergeant, Barclay, R. E.

Officers for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

CAMP PROVISIONAL NOTES.

The Annual Camp of Exercise will take place between November 22nd and 24th December. There will be three long week ends—

2nd to 5th November, 8th to 9th December, and 13th to 16th December. Special trains will be arranged for to take men out to "Camp" on the 23rd November, 6th December and 13th December and to bring them back on the 24th November, 9th December and 16th December.

Men are warned that 8 days in Camp are compulsory (4 days for men between 45 and 50) and as far as possible should be put in during these three week ends so as to get as many men as possible together at one time. All applications for total or partial exemption must be submitted to the Adjutant through unit Commanders not later than 1st November.

The locality of the Camp will be low.

ANNUAL MUSKETRY COURSE.—

Peak Range.

The following will attend on the dates named:

FRIDAY, 18th October:—

Part 1, Practices 1 and 2.

8.30 a.m.—Sergeant G. Morton Smith Ptes. R. P. Thursfield, E. Howard, J. W. Taylor (Mounted Section) Capt. E. D. C. Wolfe, Sergeant E. V. Mitchamore (Sig. Sec.) and any others who wish to fire at the Peak but whose names do not appear above.

SATURDAY, 19th October:—

Part 1, Practices 3 and 4.

8.30 a.m.—As detailed for Tuesday, 15th October.

PARADES.

"A" Company.

FRIDAY, 18th Oct.:—

5.00 p.m.—No. 3 Platoon at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 15 and 16. Dress, drill order with pouches.

5.30 p.m.—No. 1 Platoon on Murray Parade Ground. Squad Drill. Dress, drill order.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

FRIDAY, 18th Oct.:—

7.10 a.m.—Beginners' Class at Headquarters.

5.00 p.m.—No. 1 gun team at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 15 and 16. Dress, drill order with pouches.

"D" Company.

FRIDAY, October 18th:—

5.30 p.m. Inspection of Arms, Ammunition, Equipment and Uniform at Headquarters. Dress—Belmet (or Topes), Tunic, Shorts, Puttees, Greatest (en hangerole) Rifle, Belt, Sidemars, Pouches, Water-bottle and Haversack—50 rounds ball ammunition to be carried.

REASONS.

FRIDAY, 18th October:—

5.30 p.m.—Recruits of all units except "D" Company, at Headquarters on Wednesday and on Murray Parade Ground on Friday, under Sergeants Oxberry (Tuesday) and Edmunds (Friday). Dress, drill order.

DETAIL.

On duty 15th Oct. No. 1 Gun Company (4).

On duty 15th Oct. No. 1 Platoon (4).

On duty 17th Oct. No. 1 Platoon (4).

On duty 17th Oct. No. 3 Platoon (4).

Musketry and Sig. Sec. (4).

On duty 19th Oct. No. 4 Platoon (4).

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On duty 20th Oct. No. 5 Platoon (4).

On duty 21st Oct. No. 5 Platoon (4).

On duty 21st Oct. No. 3 Platoon (4).

Mounted Section and Signalling Section.

Orderly Officer for week ending 21st October 2nd Lieutenant F. C. Hall.

NEXT FOR DUTY.

2nd Lieutenant R. Southerton.

Sergeants for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieutenant J. H. W. Beard.

PROMOTIONS.

Sergeant Trueman to be Company Sergeant Major.

Corporal Taylor, Duncan, Jennings, Frost and Graham, to be Sergeants.

Lance Corporal Martin, Jack, Hyde, Banney and Conley, to be Corporals.

Sergeants Simmers, Joseph, Hast, Angus, Lyon, Parr, McKay, Lawson, Thorhill and Spradbury, to be Lance-Corporals.

STAFF.

Lieutenant Taylor, having joined, is posted to No. 1 Section.

Lieutenant D. E. M., having joined, is posted to No. 1 Section.

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